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COURSE OF STUDY.

FOR ADMISSION ON TRIAL.—The Bible in reference to doctrines generally; Wesley's Sermons on Justification by Faith and on the Witness of the Spirit; Book of Discipline; the ordinary branches of an English education.

Examining Committee.—S. W. Speer, H. P. Walker, M. D. Reynolds.

FIRST YEAR.—The Bible in reference to its Historical and Biographical parts, and its Chronology; Book of Discipline, with special reference to Chap. I., Secs. 1 and 2; Manual of Discipline, Chaps. I. and II.; Wesley's Sermons, Vol. I.; Ralston's Elements of Divinity; Watson's Institutes, Part IV.; Preacher's Manual; Written Sermon on Repentance.

BOOKS OF REFERENCE.—Watson's Biblical and Theological Dictionary; Theological Compend; Fletcher's Works; Watson's Life of Wesley.

Examining Committee.—T. J. Dodd, W. F. Taylor, J. R. Deering.

SECOND YEAR.—The Bible in reference to its Prophetical parts; Wesley's Sermons, Vol. II.; Watson's Institutes, Part III.; Smith's Elements of Divinity; Book of Discipline, with special reference to Chaps. II., III., and IV.; Manual of Discipline, Chaps. III. and IV.; Coppee's Rhetoric; Written Sermon on Justification by Faith.

BOOKS OF REFERENCE.—Newton or Keith on the Prophecies; Angus's Hand-book of the Bible; Claude's Essay on the Composition of a Sermon; Watson's Sermons; Bickersteth on the Spirit of Life; Whately's Rhetoric.

Examining Committee.—C. Taylor, W. J. Snively, D. B. Cooper.

THIRD YEAR.—The Bible in reference to the Life of Christ; Wesley's Sermons, Vol. III.; Watson's Institutes, Part II.; Coppee's Logic; Rivers's Mental Philosophy; Edgar's Variation of Popery; Book of Discipline, with special reference to Chap. V., to the end; Manual of Discipline, Chaps. V., VI., and VII.; Written Sermon on the Witness of the Spirit.

BOOKS OF REFERENCE.—Young's Christ of History; Neander's Life of Christ; Hickok's Mental Science; Vinet's Pastoral Theology; Stevens's History of Methodism; Paine's Life of McKendree; D'Anbigne's History of the Reformation; Whately's Logic.

Examining Committee.—R. Hiner, J. Rand, T. N. Ralston.

FOURTH YEAR.—The Bible in reference to the Acts and Epistles, their Analysis and Design; Wesley's Sermons, Vol. IV.; Watson's Institutes, Part I.; Powell on Apostolic Succession; Hickok's Moral Science; Mosheim's Church History; Summers on Baptism; Book of Discipline reviewed; Manual of Discipline, Chaps. VIII. and IX.; Written Sermon on Regeneration.

BOOKS OF REFERENCE.—Butler's Analogy; Bingham's Antiquities; Rivers's Moral Philosophy; Hoppin's Homiletics; Wall on Infant Baptism; Litton's Church of Christ; Neander's Church History; Liddon on the Divinity of our Lord; Cuybeare and Howson's Life and Epistles of St. Paul.

COMMENTARIES.—Clarke's, Watson's Exposition, Wesley's Notes, Summers on the Gospels, Stier's Words of the Lord Jesus, Lange on the New Testament, Olshausen on the New Testament, Alford on the New Testament, Bloomfield on the New Testament, Macknight on the Epistles, Henry's Exposition, Whitby's Commentary.

Examining Committee.—C. W. Miller, J. W. Wightman, F. W. Noland.

NOTE.—The examination will be confined to the Course of Study. The books of reference are recommended to be read, and the Commentaries to be studied.

H. N. McTYEIRE, *Sec. Col. Bishops.*

MINUTES.

MT. STERLING, KY., September 16, 1874.

The fifty-fourth session of the Kentucky Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, met at the above time and place, and after religious exercises, conducted by Bishop W. M. Wightman, proceeded to business, the Bishop in the chair.

The roll was called and about eighty members answered to their names.

The lay delegates to the Conference were announced as follows: C. M. Bicknell, C. Scobee, J. W. Russell, N. Beauchamp, Lewis Perrin, W. F. Howe, E. B. Orr, J. J. Simmons, John Darby, F. M. Hinkle, J. F. Lander, W. C. Sadler, W. W. Justice, James Rawlins, W. A. Osburn, B. F. Berkley, J. W. Proctor, H. A. Smith, A. B. Bonta, H. H. Phillips, J. S. Kelly, John Craig, Anderson Redd, John Pittman, James Armatige, H. D. Spradling, C. B. Keith, James Powell.

The following answered to their names: C. Scobee, J. W. Russell, N. Beauchamp, W. F. Howe, John Darby, W. A. Osburn, B. F. Berkley, H. A. Smith.

T. F. Vanmeter was elected secretary and W. T. Poynter assistant secretary.

The Conference agreed to open its sessions at 8:30 A. M., and close at 12:30 P. M.

The second seat from the stand was designated as the bar of the Conference.

J. W. Fitch, H. P. Walker, and B. F. Berkley were appointed a Committee on Public Worship.

On motion the presiding elders were appointed a committee to select suitable persons for standing committees.

A communication from the missionary secretaries of the

Methodist Episcopal Church, South, was read, and referred to the Board of Missions.

A communication from the Southwestern Publishing Company was read, and referred to the Committee on Books and Periodicals.

The Bishop made some interesting and useful remarks to the Conference, and was responded to by Bro. Merritt.

The presiding elders recommended the following committees, which were appointed:

On Sunday-schools—H. A. Smith, B. M. Bicknell, W. W. Justice, J. C. Morris, W. B. Landrum, W. T. Rowland, J. Reeves.

On Books and Periodicals—W. McD. Abbett, S. L. Robertson, W. F. Taylor, W. C. Sadler, J. Craig, W. F. Howe, W. Simmons, W. May.

On Education—J. W. Proctor, C. Scobee, G. N. Buffington, R. Bales, J. Rawlins, T. J. Dodd.

On Bible Cause—S. W. Speer, R. Deering, G. W. Smith, F. P. Robertson, W. B. Landrum, E. Orr, J. H. Hagar.

On Temperance—E. L. Southgate, J. A. Henderson, D. Welburn, J. Darby, John Craig, L. Perrin, James Armatige.

The Conference agreed to sit with open doors during the examination of character.

The Bishop was requested to require the preachers to read their statistical and financial reports during the examination of character.

Question 20th was taken up—Are all the preachers blameless in their lives and official administration? The characters of J. W. Fitch, J. Rand, W. T. Poynter, D. Welburn, W. F. Taylor, W. W. Chamberlin, R. Lancaster, D. A. Beardsley, H. A. M. Henderson, G. W. Smith, H. W. Abbett, E. Johnson, R. T. P. Allen, M. Evans, J. E. Letton, J. C. Morris, J. W. Wightman, W. T. Benton, W. F. Vaughn, G. T. Gould, S. X. Hall, W. McD. Abbett, J. N. Current, E. L. Southgate, C. Taylor, H. M. Linney, S. W. Speer, J. Holmes, R. Hiner, D. B. Cooper, J. C. Minor, J. W. Mitchell, S. L. Robertson, P. E. Kavanaugh, J. A. Henderson, G. D. Turner, and T. B. Cook were approved.

The Bishop decided that we should make up our statistics for the present year in accordance with the form of last year.

Bro. Meek, publisher of the Central Methodist, was introduced to the Conference.

It was announced that W. T. Rowland would preach at 3:30 o'clock and G. C. Overstreet at night.

P. E. Kavanaugh was appointed a committee to collect moneys for the publication of the Minutes.

And Conference adjourned, with the benediction by the Bishop.

THURSDAY, September 17, 1874.

Conference met at the stated hour, and after religious exercises, conducted by S. W. Speer, proceeded to business, the Bishop in the chair.

The roll was called, and the following members appeared in addition to those present on yesterday: J. Rand, Orson Long, W. H. Winter, T. J. Godbey, S. X. Hall, B. F. Sedwick, W. A. G. Emerson, J. Holmes, G. N. Buffington, George Froh, P. H. Fishburn, C. M. Bicknell, F. M. Hinkle, James Armatige.

The minutes were read and approved.

The following reserve delegates substituted the places of principals absent: S. McDowell, Russell Bales, F. P. Robertson, W. P. Dickey.

W. C. Sadler was placed on the Committee on Temperance and John Darby on the Committee on Education.

W. J. Snively and J. C. Minor were appointed a Committee on Memoirs.

The 20th question was resumed. The characters of D. H. Marimon, G. N. Buffington, W. H. Winter, R. Deering, G. W. Merritt, W. A. G. Emerson, C. W. Miller, F. W. Noland, B. F. Sedwick, T. N. Ralston, Orson Long, P. H. Hoffman, J. R. Deering, B. F. Bristow, H. R. Coleman, T. J. Godbey, and G. S. Savage were approved.

The characters of J. Strother and T. P. C. Shelman were approved, and they obtained a superannuated relation.

Bishop Kavanaugh, and Dr. Boyd, of the Methodist Wesleyan Church in Canada, were introduced to the Conference.

G. W. Smith offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, that we hail with great pleasure the presence of Bishop Kavanaugh at this Conference, and that we assure him of our continued love and esteem.

On motion the Conference agreed to act upon changing the rule on temperance on Monday next at 9:30 A. M.

It was announced that F. W. Noland would preach at 3:30 o'clock and T. N. Ralston at night.

On motion the Carrollton Church was requested to conform to our conference law, and make an allowance to their preacher as a salary.

C. W. Miller presented the credentials of B. S. Robbins, voluntarily surrendered, and they were filed with the papers of the Conference.

Bishop Wightman vacated and Bishop Kavanaugh took the chair.

The 7th question was taken up—Who are supernumerary? The character of E. P. Buckner was approved, and he obtained a superannuated relation.

The characters of T. F. Vanmeter and S. D. Gaines were approved.

The name of A. Minor was called, and it was announced that he had died in peace during the year.

The characters of G. B. Poage and S. Noland were approved, and they were continued in a supernumerary relation.

The 18th question was taken up—Who are superannuated? The characters of I. Collard, J. C. Hardy, W. C. Atmore, J. Sandusky, W. Bickers, and J. C. Crow were approved, and they were continued in a superannuated relation.

Bishop Wightman took the chair, and adjourned with the benediction.

FRIDAY, September 18, 1874.

Conference met at the stated hour, and after religious exercises by W. B. Landrum proceeded to business, the Bishop in the chair.

The calling of the roll was dispensed with. The minutes were read and approved.

A communication from Dr. Redford, agent of the Publishing-house, was read, and referred to the Committee on Books and Periodicals.

Dr. Redford, book agent, and Rev. Mr. Tibbs, of the Christian Church, were introduced to the Conference.

The 20th question was resumed. The characters of H. P. Walker, W. D. Power, R. H. Read, W. B. Godbey, W. B. Landrum, T. J. Dodd, and N. G. Robinson were approved.

The 2d question was taken up—Who remain on trial? The characters and examinations of Julius Wright, T. J. McIntyre, J. W. Sagerser, Morton Scott, and W. H. Quisenbury were approved, and they were continued on trial.

The characters of J. E. Clark and J. F. Wight were approved, and they were discontinued at their own request.

It was announced that J. A. Henderson would preach at 10:30, G. T. Gould at 3, and H. A. M. Henderson at 7 o'clock.

The 7th question was taken up—Who are the deacons of one year? The characters and examinations of T. F. Taliferro, J. Reeves, and C. Foster were approved.

The character of P. H. Fishburn was approved; but not being examined, he was continued in third year.

The 4th question was taken up—Who are admitted into full connection? The characters and examinations of D. D. Duty, T. E. Burr, and C. M. Humphrey were approved, and after being forcibly addressed by the Bishop, and taking upon them the disciplinary vows, they were admitted into full connection, having previously been ordained deacons.

The character and examination of V. C. Cummins was approved, and he was admitted into full connection and elected deacon.

The character of J. W. Simmons was approved, and he was continued on trial, not having been examined.

The case of J. H. Hagar was laid over for examination.

Dr. McCown, of Anchorage, was introduced to the Conference.

Bishop Wightman vacated and Bishop Kavanaugh took the chair.

The Bishop was requested to appoint a committee to examine a work in manuscript, by Dr. B. H. McCown, on Ordination.

Question 12 was taken up—What traveling preachers are elected elders? The characters and examinations of J. H. Young and G. C. Overstreet were approved, and they were elected elders.

Dr. Redford, book agent, addressed the Conference on the interests committed to his care.

The Bishop appointed the following committee to examine the manuscript of Dr. McCown on Ordination: C. Taylor, C. W. Miller, T. N. Ralston.

M. Evans offered the following resolution:

Resolved, that each district conference be requested to inaugurate some plan in the bounds of their several districts looking to the endowment of Kentucky Wesleyan University.

Prof. Darby addressed the Conference; and pending the resolution the Conference adjourned, with the benediction by the Bishop.

SATURDAY, September 19, 1874.

Conference met at the stated hour, and after religious services by G. S. Savage proceeded to business, the Bishop in the chair.

The minutes were read and approved. Question 12th was resumed. The characters and examinations of W. T. Rowland, M. D. Reynolds, M. W. Hiner, J. A. Caywood, G. C. Kelley, D. W. Robertson, and D. G. B. Demaree were approved, and they were elected elders.

The characters of George Froh and W. H. H. Ditzler were approved, and they were continued in fourth year, not having been examined.

The character of S. S. Goodman was approved, and he obtained a location at his own request.

The following appointments for preaching were read:

Saturday.—At 10:30 o'clock, M. D. Reynolds; 3 o'clock, Gilby C. Kelly; 7:30 o'clock, missionary meeting at Methodist Church, addresses by Bishop Kavanaugh and Dr. Redford.

Sabbath.—Methodist Church—10:30 o'clock, Bishop Wightman, ordination of elders; 3 o'clock, R. Deering, ordination of deacons; 7:30 o'clock, Bishop Kavanaugh. Presbyterian Church—10:30 o'clock, C. W. Miller, 7:30 o'clock, T. J. Dodd. Christian Church—10:30 o'clock, A. H. Redford; 7:30 o'clock, W. T. Poynter. Baptist Church—10:30 o'clock, S. X. Hall; 7:30 o'clock, R. H. Read. Episcopal Church—10:30 o'clock, Chas. Taylor; 7:30 o'clock, J. R. Deering. Ebenezer Church—10:30 o'clock, T. F. Taliferro. Colored Methodist Church—10:30 o'clock, B. F. Bristow; 3 o'clock, R. Hiner; 7:30 o'clock, J. W. Wightman.

The 1st question was taken up—Who are admitted on trial? Henry A. Smith, W. W. Spates, Alexander Redd, J. C. C. Newton, R. H. Wightman, and C. F. Reid, being duly recommended and having stood approved examinations, were admitted on trial.

The 4th question was resumed. The character and examination of J. H. Hagar was approved, and he was admitted into full connection, and elected deacon.

B. H. McCown, a minister of the Presbyterian Church, being duly accredited, was received into full connection with this Conference, according to the form of discipline.

The 20th question was resumed. The character of S. S. Deering was approved.

The case of B. Arbogast was continued in the hands of the presiding elder another year for further investigation.

B. H. McCown obtained leave of absence.

Bishop Wightman vacated, and Bishop Kavanaugh took the chair. Dr. Prettyman was introduced to the Conference.

Question 10th was taken up—What local preachers are elected deacons? Alexander Redd, J. C. C. Newton, L. D. Shaw, Obadiah Sexton, George May, and James Laugherty, being duly recommended, were elected deacons.

Question 14th was taken up—What local preachers are elected elders? None.

C. Taylor presented a report on B. H. McCown's manuscript on Ordination, which was adopted. (See report in appendix, marked A.)

S. L. Robertson presented the following resolutions, which were adopted :

WHEREAS, the Board of Managers of our Widows and Orphans' Home of the M. E. Church, South, in Kentucky have purchased property for said home in the city of Louisville at a cost of twenty thousand dollars; therefore

Resolved, that we rejoice in the success of the noble enterprise, and that we reaffirm our indorsement of this great charity.

Resolved, that we pledge ourselves to co-operate with its agent or agents in raising funds to build up and endow the institution.

The visiting committees to Millersburgh and Louisville Female Colleges presented their reports, which were referred to the Committee on Education.

Bishop Kavanaugh vacated and Bishop Wightman took the chair.

D. Welburn offered a paper on the payment of past mission dues. On motion to adopt it the ayes and nays were called, and the vote was 51 ayes, 8 nays. (See paper in appendix, marked B.)

D. Welburn presented the report of the Committee on Temperance, which was adopted. (See report in appendix, marked C.)

W. D. McAbbott presented the report of the Committee on Books and Periodicals, which was adopted. (See report in appendix, marked D.)

W. T. Poynter offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, that a committee of three be appointed to confer with the Managers of the Widows and Orphans' Home of Louisville and Kentucky conferences, in relation to our ownership and management of that institution.

The Bishop appointed T. F. Vanmeter, D. Welburn, and G. S. Savage that committee.

W. B. Landrum presented the report of the Committee on Sabbath-schools, which was adopted. (See report in appendix, marked E.)

W. B. Landrum obtained a superannuated relation. And Conference adjourned with the benediction by the Bishop.

MONDAY, September 21, 1874.

Conference met at the stated hour, and after religious exercises by W. B. Landrum proceeded to business, Bishop Kavanaugh in the chair.

The minutes were read and approved.

In answer to questions 9, 11, 13, and 15, the Bishop announced the following ordinations:

Traveling Elders—J. H. Young, G. C. Overstreet, W. T. Rowland, M. D. Reynolds, M. W. Hiner, J. A. Caywood, G. C. Kelly, D. W. Robertson, D. G. B. Demaree.

Local Elders—None.

Traveling Deacons—V. C. Cummins, J. H. Hagar.

Local Deacons—A. Redd, J. C. C. Newton, L. D. Shaw, Obadiah Sexton, George May, J. Laugherty.

A resolution requesting the Bishop to appoint B. H. McCown as principal of Forest Academy was adopted.

M. Evans offered the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, that S. S. Deering and W. T. Poynter be and are hereby appointed a committee to negotiate with the Washington Manufacturing and Mining Company, and any other parties that may be necessary, and to conclude arrangements for holding camp-meetings at Parks Hill, on the Maysville & Lexington Railroad.

M. Evans was added to the committee.

Resolved, that said camp-ground, in the event such arrangements are made, shall be known as the Deering Camp-ground.

The following were elected as members of the Board of Education: T. J. Dodd, H. A. M. Henderson, A. G. Stitt, and W. McMiller.

T. J. Dodd presented the report of the Committee on Education, which was adopted. (See report in appendix, marked F.)

The order of the day was postponed until eleven o'clock.

Bishop Kavanaugh vacated and Bishop Wightman took the chair.

M. Evans's resolution, looking to financial assistance to the Kentucky Wesleyan University, before recorded, was taken up and adopted.

The Bishop was requested to furnish the secretary a copy of his remarks to the Conference on our educational interests for publication in the papers and our Conference Minutes.

The following was adopted:

Resolved, that the Board of Education be and is hereby authorized to take all necessary steps to have the Western Virginia Conference connected with ours in the ownership of Kentucky Wesleyan University.

R. Deering presented the report on the Bible Cause, which was adopted. (See report in appendix, marked G.)

The Board of Missions presented a paper referring to past dues, which was laid on the table.

S. X. Hall tendered the resignation of E. J. Polk as a member of the Board of Education, which was accepted, and James Rawlins was elected to fill the place.

The following appointments for preaching were read: Rev. Mr. Boyd, Wesleyan Church, Canada, at 3 o'clock, and J. C. Morris at night.

The Bishop presented to the Conference the action of the General Conference on the rule on temperance. It was moved that the substitute be adopted, which reads, "Making, buying, selling, or using as a beverage intoxicating liquors." The vote was 54 for the substitute and 38 against.

A motion to fix the time of adjournment was lost.

M. Evans offered a resolution that the Quarterly Conference records and church registers should be examined by the district conferences. D. Cooper offered as a substitute that they should be examined by the last Quarterly Conference of the year, which was adopted.

In answer to the 30th question Maysville was selected as the place for holding the next session.

Conference agreed that when we adjourn, we adjourn to meet at 4 o'clock.

D. B. Cooper, W. McD. Abbett, and W. J. Snively were appointed a committee to nominate a Board of Missions for the incoming quadrennial.

The presiding elders were requested to have such consultation that no two district conferences be held at the same time, or during the commencement exercises of Kentucky Wesleyan University.

The action in the case of B. Arbogast was reconsidered, and laid over for the present.

The treasurer of the Preachers' Aid Society presented his report, which was adopted. It is as follows:

Louisville City bonds, value.....	\$2,700 00
Coupons on same.....	210 00
Cash on hand.....	373 83
Also cash collected from G. W. Brush	159 68

Total..... \$3,443 46

Certified as correct by the Auditing Committee.

T. F. VANMETER,
W. McD. ABBETT.

The following were elected as the Board of Missions for the ensuing four years:

G. W. Merritt, D. Welburn, W. F. Taylor, T. B. Cook, W. Howe, J. R. Beckley, F. P. Robertson, J. F. Metcalfe, J. R.

Moss, T. J. Godbey, C. Taylor, S. S. Deering, H. R. Coleman, B. F. Sedwick.

In answer to the 29th question T. B. Cook, treasurer, announced that there had been collected for missions \$4,075.62.

And Conference adjourned with the benediction by the Bishop.

MONDAY, September 21, 1874, 4 o'clock p. m.

Conference met at the appointed time, at the close of religious services, and proceeded to business, Bishop Kavanaugh in the chair.

The minutes were read and approved.

In answer to question 19th W. J. Snively presented the report of the Committee on Memoirs, which was adopted. (See obituary in the appendix, marked H.) Remarks were made by W. J. Snively, W. McD. Abbett, G. W. Smith, W. H. Winter, Orson Long, G. S. Savage, W. C. Atmore, T. J. Godbey, H. R. Coleman, H. P. Walker, J. C. Hardy, all approving of the moral character of our brother.

T. F. Vanmeter was appointed a committee to publish the Minutes of the Conference.

On motion, the Bishop was requested to give H. P. Walker a certificate of his ordination as an elder, having lost his parchments.

And Conference adjourned with the benediction.

TUESDAY, September 22, 1874.

Conference met at the stated hour, and after religious exercises by T. N. Ralston proceeded to business, Dr. Ralston in the chair. The minutes were read and approved.

H. P. Walker read a paper complimentary to the preachers from the citizens of Mount Sterling. The paper was received by a standing vote, and directed to be published in the Minutes of the Conference. It is as follows:

To the President and Members of the Kentucky Conference, now assembled at Mount Sterling:

Your petitioners would most respectfully represent that they have been greatly edified and instructed by the devout prayers and learned sermons to which they have listened during the session of the Conference; and, feeling that they have

been strengthened in their most holy faith by their intercourse with the members of your distinguished body, we can but wish that each returning year might bring with it to our town the Kentucky Conference. We therefore most respectfully ask, if it be not inconsistent with your rules and a law of your church polity, that the next Kentucky Conference be held at Mount Sterling.

A resolution of thanks was given to the people for their elegant and hospitable entertainment of the preachers; to the different churches for the use of their houses of worship; to the railroads for half-fare rates; to the judge of the county court for the use of the court-house; to the Bishops for their addresses; and to the secretaries for their labors.

The Bishop took the chair. In answer to questions 27 and 28 the Joint Board of Finance presented their report, which was adopted. (See report in appendix.)

In answer to questions 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, the assistant secretary presented the report on statistics, which was adopted. (See report in appendix.)

W. F. Taylor presented the assessments from the Board of Missions, for foreign and domestic missions and past dues, as follows:

ASSESSMENTS.

DISTRICT.	Parent Board.	Past Dues.	Conference Board.
Lexington	750 00	90 00	787 50
Harrodsburg.....	475 00	55 00	498 75
Shelbyville.....	540 00	65 00	567 00
Covington	575 00	68 00	603 75
Maysville.....	625 00	70 00	656 25
London.....	35 00	5 00	36 75
	\$3,000 00	\$353 00	\$3,150 00

APPROPRIATIONS.

Stanton Mission.....	\$175 00	Whitesburg and Hazard....	\$200-00
Parksville Mission.....	150 00	Meadow Creek Mission.....	75 00
Harmona Mission.....	200 00	Liberty and Pulaski Mis..	100 00
Foster Mission.....	200 00	Jackson Mission.....	100 00
Morehead Mission.....	250 00	Campton Mission.....	100 00
London District.....	1,000 00	Estill Mission.....	150 00
Beattieville Mission	150 00	Pineville and Mt. Pleasant	150 00
Williamsburg Mission.....	150 00		
		Total.....	\$3,150 00

The Bishop was requested to appoint an agent for books and tracts, in the bounds of the Conference.

The 1st question was resumed. L. D. Shaw, being duly recommended and having stood an approved examination, was admitted on trial.

R. T. P. Allen obtained a supernumerary relation.

A resolution was adopted requiring the preachers to take up public collections the first half of the year for the support of missions.

H. P. Walker offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, that hereafter the Board of Education of the Kentucky Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, be required to report to this Conference the whole amount of moneys raised on scholarships and from other sources annually; and also the amount paid as salaries of agents, president, and professors, and on all other accounts kept with the University.

The case of B. Arbogast was again called up. His presiding elder stated that his accuser had withdrawn all charges against him. It was moved that his character now pass. The motion was lost, and in view of complaints and rumors his case was referred again to the presiding elder of the Maysville District for investigation.

In answer to the 31st question the following appointments were read:

Lexington District—J. W. Fitch, P. E.

<i>Lexington</i> —R. H. Read, R. T. P. Allen, supernumerary.	<i>Cedar Chapel</i> —J. N. Current.
<i>Paris</i> —W. T. Poynter.	<i>Frankfort</i> —Robert Hiner.
<i>Winchester and Mt. Zion</i> —J. R. Deering.	<i>Belle Point</i> —H. A. M. Henderson.
<i>Ebenezer</i> —W. McD. Abbett.	<i>North Middletown</i> —J. A. Caywood.
<i>Versailles</i> —W. F. Taylor.	<i>Hardinsville</i> —J. W. Sagerser.
<i>Mt. Sterling</i> —H. P. Walker.	<i>Georgetown</i> —R. Deering.
<i>Newtown</i> —S. S. Deering.	<i>New Columbus</i> —W. W. Chamberlin, W. W. Spates.
	<i>Stanton Mission</i> —T. E. Burr.

Harrodsburg District—S. X. Hall, P. E.

<i>Harrodsburg and Perryville</i> —W. J. Snively.	<i>Bryantsville</i> —G. D. Turner.
<i>Mackville</i> —H. A. Smith.	<i>Richmond and Providence</i> —P. H. Hoffman.
<i>Somerset</i> —W. H. H. Ditzler.	<i>College Hill</i> —T. J. McIntyre.
<i>Nicholasville</i> —E. L. Southgate, S. No-land, supernumerary.	{ <i>Jessamine</i> —S. W. Speer.
<i>Danville</i> —C. Taylor.	{ <i>Mt. Zion and Siloam</i> —Supplied by T. Scott.
<i>Stanford</i> —G. C. Overstreet.	<i>Chaplin</i> —J. C. C. Newton.
<i>Salvisa</i> —W. H. Winter.	<i>Parksville Mission</i> —H. N. Linney.
<i>Lawrenceburg</i> —Morton Scott.	

Shelbyville District—G. W. Merritt, P. E.

Shelbyville—J. Rand.
 Taylorsville—J. A. Henderson.
 Shelby—J. C. Minor.
 Bloomfield—J. W. Mitchell.
 Simpsonville—D. B. Cooper.
 Milton—V. C. Cummins.
 Newcastle—B. F. Sedwick.
 Owen—C. M. Humphrey.
 Bedford—D. G. B. Demaree.

{ *Floydsburg*—B. H. McCown, and
 President Forest Academy.
 { *Shiloh Station*—T. F. Vanmeter.
Springport—W. H. Quisenbury.
Lagrange—T. B. Cook.
Jacksonville—P. E. Kavanaugh.
Harmona Mission—Sup. by J. Stivers.
 Agent for Books and Tracts—D. Wel-
 burn.

Covington District—M. Evans, P. E.

Covington—C. W. Miller.
 Second Charge—G. N. Buflington.
 Newport—H. R. Coleman.
 Mt. Pleasant—T. N. Ralston, and
 Prof. Bib. Lit. Ky. Wes. U.
 Oddville—B. F. Bristow.
 Claysville—Ransom Lancaster.
 Independence—D. W. Robertson.
 Williamstown—Orson Long.
 Alexandria—To be supplied.

Foster—J. Holmes.
Falmouth—George Froh.
Cynthiana—M. D. Reynolds.
Florence—J. Reeves.
Petersburg—T. F. Taliferro.
Warsaw—J. H. Young.
Carrollton—J. W. Wightman.
Worthville—W. T. Rowland.
 Agent American Bible Society—G. S.
 Savage.

Maysville District—S. L. Robertson, P. E.

Maysville—T. J. Dodd.
 Washington and Hebron — M. W.
 Hiner.
 Germantown—D. H. Marimon.
 Brooksville and Augusta—W. A. G.
 Emerson, G. B. Poage, supernu-
 merary.
 Millersburg—F. W. Noland.
 Flemingsburg—T. J. Godbey, J. E.
 Letton.
 Sharpsburg and Bethel—W. T. Ben-
 ton.
 Orangeburg—W. F. Vaughn.

{ *Carlisle*—G. C. Kelly.
 { *Irvinsville*—To be supplied.
Mt. Olivet—W. D. Power.
Shannon and Sardis—D. D. Duty.
Tilton—R. H. Wightman.
 { *Poplar Plains and Hillsboro*—G. W.
 Smith.
 { *Morehead Mission*—E. Johnson.
Owingsville—C. F. Reid.
Vanceburg and Concord—Alexander
 Redd.
Millersburg Female College—G. T.
 Gould.

London District—W. B. Godbey, P. E.

London—J. Wright.
 Crab Orchard and Lancaster—Sup-
 plied by J. S. Kelly.
 Barboursville and Manchester—Sup-
 plied by W. B. Landrum.
 Fishing Creek—Supplied by J. L.
 Godbey.
 Liberty and Pulaski—Supplied by
 G. G. Ragan.
 Williamsburg and Isabella—Supplied
 by S. B. Gossett.

Mt. Pleasant and Pineville—Supplied
 by R. M. Travis.
Beattierville—Supplied by J. H. Will-
 iams.
Meadow Creek—Supplied by R. Bales.
Estill—J. W. Simmons.
Whitesburg and Hazard—C. Foster.
Canton—Supplied by J. Wilson.
West Liberty and Frenchburg—L. D.
 Shaw.
Jackson—Supplied by S. P. Chandler.

Transferred to Western Virginia Conference—N. G. Robinson, J. H. Hagar.
Transferred to Virginia Conference—P. H. Fishburn.
Transferred to Holston Conference—S. D. Gaines.
Transferred to Louisville Conference—J. C. Morris, D. A. Beardsley, H. W.
 Abbett.

Appointments for Special Service in London District.

Crab Orchard—C. Taylor.

Mt. Vernon—R. Hiner.

Liberty—W. J. Snively.

London—C. W. Miller.

Manchester—S. S. Deering.

Barboursville—W. F. Taylor.

Williamsburg—H. A. Smith.

Meadow Creek—R. Lancaster.

Isabella—W. H. H. Ditzler.

Beattieville—J. R. Deering.

Campton—W. F. Noland.

Jackson—W. T. Poynter.

West Liberty—B. F. Bristow.

Hazel Green—H. P. Walker.

Frenchburg—W. T. Benton.

JOINT BOARD OF FINANCE.

W. T. Poynter, chairman; B. F. Berkley, D. B. Cooper, F. C. French, W. J. Snively, J. W. Proctor, J. W. Wightman, W. B. Winslow, W. T. Benton, W. P. Dickey, C. Foster, J. Pittman.

EXAMINING COMMITTEES.

For Admission on Trial—S. W. Speer, H. P. Walker, M. D. Reynolds.

First Year—T. J. Dodd, W. F. Taylor, J. R. Deering.

Second Year—C. Taylor, W. J. Snively, D. B. Cooper.

Third Year—R. Hiner, J. Rand, T. N. Ralston.

Fourth Year—C. W. Miller, J. W. Wightman, F. W. Noland.

VISITING COMMITTEES.

Kentucky Wesleyan University—C. Taylor, T. J. Dodd, S. L. Robertson.

Millersburg Female College—H. P. Walker, J. R. Deering, M. D. Reynolds.

Louisville Female College—W. T. Benton, D. B. Cooper, H. R. Coleman.

The minutes were read and approved, and Conference adjourned, with prayer by Bishop Kavanaugh.

W. M. WIGHTMAN, *President*.

T. F. VANMETER, *Secretary*.

MISCELLANY.

OFFICERS PREACHERS' AID SOCIETY.

D. B. Cooper, *President*; J. C. Minor, *Secretary*; S. L. Robertson, *Treasurer*.

Board of Managers—W. McD. Abbett, J. A. Henderson, G. W. Smith, J. W. Wightman, W. H. Winter.

Investing Committee—T. F. Vanmeter, S. L. Robertson, W. T. Poynter, W. McD. Abbett, W. F. Taylor.

LEGAL CONFERENCE.

R. Hiner, *President*; S. L. Robertson, *Secretary*; J. Rand, *Treasurer*.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Elected in 1874 — T. J. Dodd, H. A. M. Henderson, A. G. Stitt, W. McMiller; elected in 1873 — R. Hiner, C. W. Miller, Washington Miller, James Rawlins (to fill a vacancy); elected in 1872 — T. F. Vanmeter, B. F. Carroll, J. W. Proctor, D. Geiger.

CLASSES FOR 1875.

To be Continued on Trial—H. A. Smith, W. W. Spates, A. Redd, J. C. C. Newton, R. H. Wightman, C. F. Reid, L. D. Shaw.

Eligible to Full Connection—Julius Wright, T. J. McIntyre, J. W. Sagerser, Morton Scott, W. H. Quisenbury, J. W. Simmons.

Deacons of One Year—V. C. Cummins.

Eligible to Elders' Orders—T. F. Taliferro, J. Reeves, C. Foster, T. E. Burr, C. M. Humphrey, W. H. H. Ditzler, George Froh.

WIDOWS AND ORPHANS' HOME.

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Widows and Orphans' Home, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, the following members were present: J. S. Lithgow, president; B. C. Levi, J. L. Brown, H. F. Kalfus, A. Hunter, W. Kendrick, J. G. Carter, H. Woolford, W. Cromeey.

The committee from the Kentucky Conference, T. F. Vanmeter, D. Welburn, and G. S. Savage, stated the object of their visit, and after an expression of opinions each member of the board of directors stated that this board represented the entire membership within the bounds of the Kentucky and Louisville conferences, and did not know any geographical bounds, but were working in the interest of both conferences, and adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, that we favor an amendment to the charter, at the next session of the Kentucky Legislature, so that the Kentucky Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, shall have a just and fair representation in the board of directors and beneficiaries of the institution.

J. S. LITHGOW, *President*.

W. CROMEY, *Secretary*.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

July 30, 1874.	Cash.....	\$2,422 25
"	Received since.....	228 00
"	Ladies' and Children's Societies.....	4,183 00
"	Notes	9,178 00
Total.....		\$16,011 25

J. G. CARTER, *Treasurer*.

LOUISVILLE, KY., September 24, 1874.

REPORT OF THE JOINT BOARD OF FINANCE.

HARRODSBURG DISTRICT.									
Harrodsburg.....	128	2	4	8	1	1	1	1	31
Danville.....	167	8	4	8	2	2	2	2	21
Perryville and Mackville.....	225	4	8	4	1	1	1	1	5
Stanford and Lancaster.....	230	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	6
Perryville Circuit.....	319	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	13
Mt. Zion and Siloam.....	100	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	30
Salvisa.....	292	8	1	1	1	1	1	1	12
Somerset.....	184	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10
Lawrenceburg.....	250	44	4	4	4	4	4	4	30
Nicholasville.....	130	5	2	2	2	2	2	2	100
Bryan'sville.....	134	3	5	5	5	5	5	5	74
Richmond and Providence.....	100	5	13	1	2	2	2	2	5
Irvine.....	258	16	9	5	1	1	1	1	8
Kirkville and College Hill.....	154	9	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Jessamine.....	223	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
COVINGTON DISTRICT.									
Covington.....	388	1	10	8	1	1	1	1	38
Newport.....	150	1	1	3	3	3	3	3	25
Mt. Pleasant.....	123	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	49
Alexandria.....	283	11	9	4	4	4	4	4	31
Foster.....	276	1	4	3	3	3	3	3	25
Falmouth.....	202	4	4	3	3	3	3	3	5
Oddville.....	434	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	30
Cynthiana.....	173	6	2	2	2	2	2	2	20
Independence.....	286	1	26	9	9	9	9	9	28
Florence.....	68	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	10
Petersburg.....	215	16	25	5	5	5	5	5	150
Williamsstown.....	303	8	8	6	6	6	6	6	20
Warsaw.....	234	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	20
Carrollton.....	154	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	10
Northville.....	143	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
SHELBYVILLE DISTRICT.									
Shelbyville.....	141	1	1	6	3	3	3	3	30
Shelby Circuit.....	232	7	7	36	36	36	36	36	12
Bloomfield.....	173	1	41	7	7	7	7	7	50
Daytonville.....	250	41	41	7	7	7	7	7	50
Simpsonville.....	194	4	20	1	1	1	1	1	25
Chaplin and Mt. Zion.....	336	4	4	20	20	20	20	20	10
Milton.....	210	16	16	22	22	22	22	22	15
Florysburg.....	262	8	8	3	3	3	3	3	30
Newcastle.....	222	7	7	4	4	4	4	4	40
Bedford.....	375	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	14
Owen.....	252	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	12
Southport.....	394	15	15	2	2	2	2	2	2

REPORT OF THE JOINT BOARD OF FINANCE.

NAME OF WORK.	SALARY OF PREACHER.		SALARY OF PRES. ELDER. CONFERENCE COLLECTIONS				BISHOPS' FUND.		MISSIONS.	
	Claim.	Receipts.	Claim.	Receipts.	Claim.	Receipts.	Claim.	Receipts.	Claim.	Receipts.
BARBOURSVILLE DISTRICT.										
Mt. Pleasant and Pineville.....		21 00		1 75						
London and Bethel.....	100 00	100 00								
Pulaski.....	80 00	35 00								
Williamsburg.....	180 00	100 00								
	360 00	236 00		1 75						
WEST LIBERTY DISTRICT.										
West Liberty.....	200 00	118 68	20 00	20 00					2 00	
Prestonsburg.....	400 00	100 00	50 00	85 00						
Frenchburg.....	150 00	17 85	20 00	7 00						
	750 00	236 53	90 00	112 00					2 00	
COVINGTON DISTRICT.										
Covington.....	2,000 00	1,703 40	270 00	270 00	100 00	50 00	40 00	25 00	316 50	73 50
Newport.....	1,200 00	907 00	150 00	113 00	47 50	47 50	22 50	22 50	182 00	95 00
Oddville.....	800 00	560 00	105 00	72 19	20 95	20 95	15 75	15 75	127 45	26 10
Independence.....	425 00	329 41	75 00	58 12	23 75	16 30	11 45	7 85	91 05	62 50
Williamstown.....	700 00	410 12	75 00	55 00	23 75	20 45	11 25	10 00	91 05	48 20
Alexandria.....	500 00	400 00	50 00	45 00	16 62	16 15	7 00	7 00	63 76	57 25
Mt. Pleasant.....	350 00	400 00	120 00	60 00	38 00	11 45	10 00	10 00	145 66	23 95
Foster.....	495 00	286 00	60 00	34 29	19 00	8 38	9 00	4 00	72 83	31 71
Falmouth.....	500 00	325 00	75 00	46 50	23 75	20 00	11 25	10 00	91 05	41 00
Cynthiana.....	1,400 00	833 00	255 00	128 35	80 75	30 35	38 25	20 00	309 54	40 00
Florence.....	600 00	600 00	101 25	57 00	32 00	5 00	15 18	5 00	122 90	5 00
Petersburg.....	800 00	717 00	105 00	99 00	32 06		15 18		122 90	3 50
Warsaw.....	1,000 00	1,000 00	120 00	120 00	38 00	25 75	18 00	12 50	145 66	17 75
Carrollton.....	1,015 22	1,015 22	150 00	125 00	47 50	47 50	22 50	22 50	185 00	100 00
Worthville.....	500 00	343 45	75 00	73 50	22 75	11 75	11 25	6 00	91 04	31 30
	12,885 22	9,829 60	1,786 25	1,356 95	567 38	381 53	258 56	178 10		
SHELBYVILLE DISTRICT.										
Shelbyville.....	1,500 00	1,500 00	140 00	140 00	56 00	20 00	28 00	28 00	180 00	72 50
Shelby Circuit.....	800 00	713 00	120 00	107 00	44 00	22 00	22 00	22 00	164 00	54 00
Bloomfield.....	1,200 00	1,200 00	120 00	120 00	44 00	30 00	22 00	20 00	164 00	59 55
Simpsonville.....	1,000 00	850 00	120 00	120 00	44 00	44 00	22 00	22 00	164 00	164 00
Milton.....	700 00	640 40	100 00	100 00	34 00	33 80	17 00	16 15	138 00	96 35
Newcastle.....	800 00	633 00	120 00	96 23	44 00	44 00	22 00	22 00	164 00	66 35
Owen.....	500 00	175 00	80 00	72 00	10 00	2 50	10 00	2 50	110 00	5 00
Taylorville.....	1,000 00	1,000 00	120 00	120 00	44 00	20 00	22 00	15 00	160 00	30 00
Chaplin and Mt. Zion.....	550 00	485 00	100 00	100 00	30 00	5 65	18 00	5 00	138 00	24 25
Floydsburg.....	1,000 00	619 50	120 00	85 00	44 00	18 50	22 00	22 00	164 00	25 00
Bedford.....	700 00	480 00	115 00	67 00	38 00		19 00		156 00	10 00
Springport.....	500 00	358 00	90 00	76 00	29 00	8 00	15 00	4 10	128 00	12 00
Lagrange.....	500 00	400 00	100 00	100 00	35 00	20 00	19 00	10 00	138 00	50 00
Jacksonville.....	700 00	487 50	55 00	44 00	29 00		9 00	3 90	83 00	20 35
Harmona.....	300 00	82 75	10 00	10 00						
	11,750 00	9,624 15	1,510 00	1,357 23	525 00	268 45	267 00	192 65		
HARRODSBURG DISTRICT.										
Harrodsburg.....	1,000 00	691 05	130 00	100 00	41 27	26 25	20 50	18 75	158 00	46 50
Perryville and Mackville.....	1,200 00	800 29	175 00	117 70	60 00	21 20	23 00	15 20	230 30	52 50
Somerset.....	500 00	250 00	100 00	61 00	34 25		17 00		131 00	25 00
Nicholasville.....	1,200 00	1,025 00	175 00	150 00	61 00	50 00	30 00	30 00	224 30	221 00
Danville.....	1,450 00	1,450 00	110 00	110 00	41 50	45 00	20 00	20 00	158 00	160 00
Stanford and Lancaster.....	600 00	355 00	120 00	100 00	46 27	14 00	20 00	20 00	158 00	46 00
Perryville Circuit.....	1,200 00	800 29	175 00	117 70	60 00	10 00	29 00	15 25	230 00	30 00
Salvisa.....	750 00	500 00	80 00	73 10	29 00	10 00	14 00	10 00	112 00	15 00
Lawrenceburg.....	400 00	400 00	80 00	80 00	27 50	4 00	13 50	6 00	105 45	17 85
Bryantville.....	700 00	263 30	100 00	65 00	34 25	13 80	17 00	10 00	131 00	34 30
Richmond and Providence.....	800 00	700 00	100 00	100 00	30 00	18 00	20 00	10 00	143 00	15 00
Kirksville and College Hill.....	800 00	612 00	80 00	60 00	29 00	5 00	15 00	5 00	112 00	75 00
Jessamine.....	700 00	500 00	120 00	80 00	41 00	8 85	20 00	10 00	158 00	10 00
Mt. Zion and Siloam.....	200 00	35 00	50 00	5 00	20 00		10 00		79 00	18 00
Irvine.....	400 00	219 00	65 00	26 00	24 00		12 00	2 00	92 00	
	11,900 00	8,600 93	1,660 00	1,245 50	374 04	226 10	281 00	172 15		
MAYSVILLE DISTRICT.										
Maysville.....	1,500 00	1,500 00	140 00	140 00	58 80	31 90	28 00	24 25	225 40	110 17
Washington and Hebron.....	900 00	600 00	90 00	66 50	37 80	17 00	18 00	6 25	144 90	20 00
Cornwall.....	800 00	714 00	70 00	65 44	20 40	10 00	14 00	14 00	112 70	10 00
Brooksville and Augusta.....	900 00	900 00	125 00	125 00	52 00		25 00	25 00	101 00	35 00
Millersburg.....	1,500 00	1,250 00	125 00	100 00	52 50	42 00	25 00	20 00	201 00	161 00
Flemingsburg.....	1,100 00	946 96	100 00	86 07	40 00	20 00	20 00	15 00	162 00	42 50
Sharpsburg and Bethel.....	1,000 00	880 00	120 00	98 50	46 20	25 00	25 00	25 00	177 10	25 00
Orangeburg.....	600 00	550 00	90 00	60 00	37 80	20 00	18 00	10 00	144 00	60 00
Carlisle.....	1,000 00	838 35	110 00	90 00	46 20	15 00	22 00	10 00	177 10	25 00
Irvinsville.....	100 00	84 00								
Mt. Olivet.....	850 00	750 00	100 00	87 00	42 00	20 00	20 00	15 00	161 00	40 55
Shannon and Sardis.....	800 00	767 24	110 00	103 40	46 20	24 00	22 00	12 00	177 10	94 00
Tilton.....	600 00	444 96	55 00	37 55	23 10	9 40	11 00	4 50	88 55	36 20
Poplar Plains and Hillsboro.....	750 00	470 00	100 00	76 00	42 00	13 05	20 00	6 20	161 00	49 90
Owingsville.....	800 00	467 00	70 00	40 00		5 00		2 00	150 00	5 00
Vanceburg and Concord.....	675 00	425 00	90 00	60 00	27 00	2 50	18 00	2 50	140 00	11 00
	12,975 00	11,587 51	1,495 00	1,235 43	581 00	262 85	286 00	191 70		
LEXINGTON DISTRICT.										
Lexington.....	1,900 00	1,647 00	160 00	140 00	76 80	77 00	36 00	36 00	300 00	196 00
Paris.....	1,550 00	1,500 00	130 00	160 00	76 80	76 80	36 00	36 00	300 00	150 00
Winchester and Ebenezer.....	1,200 00	1,200 00	160 00	160 00	78 00	64 00	36 00	36 00	300 00	114 70
Versailles and Mortonsville.....	1,300 00	1,300 00	135 00	135 00	64 80	64 80	30 32	30 32	220 00	220 00
Greenwich.....	750 00	239 60	55 00	38 00	22 08	5 00	12 83	12 85	73 60	10 65
Newtown.....	650 00	351 20	65 00	48 85	35 00	11 00	15 70	11 00	73 60	11 00
Cedar Chapel.....	600 00	312 95	60 00	60 00	28 80		14 00		120 00	7 45
Frankfort.....	2,000 00	2,000 00	180 00	180 00	86 40	69 05	42 00	42 00	300 00	124 00
Mt. Sterling.....	1,800 00	1,650 00	160 00	140 00	76 80	33 25	36 00	25 00	300 00	75 00
North Middletown and Mt. Zion.....	1,185 00	677 00	120 00	67 60	58 00	17 00	28 00	12 00	200 00	45 00
Hardinsville.....	300 00	150 00	25 00	23 00	12 52		5 83		73 60	
Georgetown.....	810 00	517 70	90 00	60 10	43 20	27 00	28 00	20 00	225 00	45 00
New Columbus.....	900 00	730 00	90 00	90 00	43 20	21 10	21 00	17 05	151 27	44 15
Stanton.....	150 00	104 35	20 00	11 00	9 60	5 00	4 65	4 65	46 00	5 00
Dunaway.....	80 00	80 10	20 00	20 00						
	15,175 00	11,942 20	1,410 00	1,273 45	712 00	471 00	346 33	282 87		
Grand Total.....	65,795 00	52,075 99	7,951 25	6,582 31	2,959 42	1,559 93	1,488 89	1,017 47		

ASSESSMENTS FOR ENSUING YEAR.

	CONFERENCE COLLECTIONS.	BISHOPS' FUND.
Lexington District.....	720	350
Maysville District.....	630	300
Covington District.....	570	270
Shelbyville District.....	540	265
Harrodsburg District.....	540	265
	\$3,000	\$1,450

COLLECTED FOR MISSIONS.

As per report.....	3,888 52
Richmond, since last Conference.....	41 00
Public collection at Conference.....	131 25
Balance on hand last year.....	14 85
	\$4,075 62
Disbursed as follows:	
Forty per cent to A. H. Redford.....	1,598 84
W. B. Godbey.....	532 90
N. G. Robinson.....	532 90
W. B. Landrum.....	199 65
J. A. Caywood.....	166 40
A. Jones.....	133 50
W. P. Vaught.....	99 85
John Reeves.....	99 85
G. W. Smith.....	99 85
J. W. Sagerer.....	87 50
C. Foster.....	87 50
J. S. Kelly.....	67 05
J. Wright.....	67 05
S. B. Gossett.....	67 05
J. W. Simmons.....	67 05
John Hall.....	67 05
R. Bales.....	50 50
J. Wilson.....	50 50
Stamps.....	63
	\$4,075 62

GENERAL STATISTICS OF THE KENTUCKY CONFERENCE M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH.

CIRCUITS, STATIONS AND MISSIONS.	White mem- bers.....	Colored mem- bers.....	Adult baptisms.	Infant baptisms	Local preach- ers.....	Sunday-school teachers.....	No. of scholars	Vols. in library.	Sunday-school papers.....	Church period- icals.....	No. of churches	Value churches	No. of parson- ages.....	Value of par- sonages.....	Expended on churches.....	Expended on parsonages....	Amt. collected for American Bible Society.	Amt. collected for Sunday- schools.....	Amt. collected for Sunday- schools.....
LEXINGTON DISTRICT.																			
Lexington.....	257		18	15	1	1	24	200	583	210	1	25,000	1	7,500			10	218	
Paris.....	190	2	28	4		12	100	250	50	18	1	10,000	1	3,500		50	70	70	
Winchester and Ebenezer.....	156		8	3		2	15	85	340	35	2	9,000					25	42	
Versailles and Mortonsville.....	172		10		1	2	24	130	500	120	2	12,000	1	2,500	50		25	100	
Greenwich.....	50					1	5	50	100	50	1	2,000							
Newtown.....	150		2						100	10	1	5,000							
Cedar Chapel.....	95		7	4	4	2	15	70	100	11	3	3,600			475				
Frankfort.....	284		13	26		1	21	248	450	150	20	1	20,000	1	5,000			40	150
Mt. Sterling.....	380		19	5		8	125	425	61	43	3	12,500	1	4,500	135	110	12	25	
North Middletown and Mt. Zion.....	95		5			1	3	15	48	60	5	4,000	2	1,700		57	5	34	
Hardinsville.....	233		18	8	1					12	3	3,700			1,200				
Georgetown.....	146		4	3	2	1	7	36	300		14	2	14,000			150			
New Columbus.....	795	2	121	4	7	5	26	185	590	70	6	8,000	1	1,000	1,250				12
Stanton.....	125		6	5						3	1	1,200					1		
Dunaway.....	70		5	6	2	1	3	27	35	30	1	1,200						6	
	3,198	4	264	83	18	19	163	1,271	3,721	892	260	\$131,200	8	25,700	\$3,280	\$217	\$188	\$657	
MAYSVILLE DISTRICT.																			
Maysville.....	231			3	1	1	13	75	280	30	25	10,000			40		20	140	
Washington and Hebron.....	75		9	6		2	12	80	250	40	10	2	8,000				10	40	
Germantown.....	270		64	12	2	5	37	300	700	95	5	11,000	1	1,000	500	10		42	
Brooksville and Augusta.....	249	1	1			10	100	100	95	40	2	10,000			125		5	38	
Millersburg.....	205		20		1	14	100	200	80	20	1	8,000	1	4,000			5	40	
Ruddle's Mills.....	18										2	5,000							
Flemingsburg.....	216		15	2	1	4	17	100	450	40	8	11,000	1	2,500				8	
Sharpsburg and Bethel.....	330		7	6		2	16	60	150	20	25	3	10,000	1	2,000	500	14	8	
Orangeburg.....	284		46	6	4	1	9	30	20	20	4	5,000						10	
Carlisle.....	282		5	4	5	3	22	120	416	130	2	7,000			185		35	70	
Irvinville.....	180		4	3	1						2	400			216				
Mount Olivet.....	316	2	44	2		3	19	100	256	35	18	2	4,500	1	1,500			12	8
Shannon and Sardis.....	208		37			2	15	75	200	75	11	2	7,000	1	1,000	1,200	25	25	35
Tilton.....	230	8	18	3	1	1	10	30	200		10	3	6,200			910			13
Poplar Plains and Hillsboro.....	272		10	2	1	4	26	200	100	300	23	5	8,700	1	446		120		64
Owingsville.....	120					1	6	20	100		4	2	3,500	1	1,000	50			5
Vanceburg and Concord.....	205			8		5	26	160	305	35	8	3	4,500	1	800	300	112		30
	3,691	11	280	57	17	37	252	1,550	3,721	995	306	\$119,800	9	14,246	\$4,026	\$303	\$120	\$543	
HARRODSBURG DISTRICT.																			
Harrodsburg.....	128		2			1	8	40	350	35	15	10,000	1	2,500	38	85	13	31	
Danville.....	167		4		1	1	8	50	200	45	20	2	8,000	1	2,500			5	21
Perryville and Mackville.....	225		8		2	2	18	160	600	49	17	2	9,000	1	1,800	429	4		38
Stanford and Lancaster.....	230		2		2	1	10	66	180		2	4,500					15		
Perryville Circuit.....	319	2	5		2	3	22	130	350		14	2	1,600			500			6
Mt. Zion and Siloam.....	100	2	11	2							3	4	2,000						
Salvisa.....	292		3	2	1	2	16	80	275		10	4	6,000	1	1,200	33		12	
Somerset.....	184		1		1	1	6	61	200	50	4	2,000				900		30	
Lawrenceburg.....	250		44	4	3	4	10	30	300		19	4,400					10	12	
Nicholasville.....	130		5	2		1	12	58	335	40	20	8,000			180				
Bryantsville.....	134	3				1	6	50	100		29	2,500	1	1,000	200		30	100	
Richmond and Providence.....	100		5			2	10	70	125	60	12	2	9,000					5	
Irvine.....	258		16	13	1	1	5	25	50		4	2,000			587		26	74	
Kirksville and College Hill.....	154		9		2	1	5	30		22	2	3,500	1	1,000	600	500		8	
Jessamine.....	223		3		2	1	5	30		5	4	4,000			300		2		
	2,894	7	125	23	17	22	141	880	3,065	279	194	\$70,500	6	10,000	\$2,989	\$1,489	\$101	\$337	
COVINGTON DISTRICT.																			
Covington.....	388	1	10	8	1	1	18	130	220	150	10	25,000					38		
Newport.....	150		1	3		1	10	102	275		2	18,000					25	222	
Mt. Pleasant.....	123		1	1	1	1	16	80	400		10	2,500					9	64	
Alexandria.....	283		11	3	4	4	12	150	200	75	15	4	8,000				4	49	
Foster.....	276	1	9	4	3	5	22	200	400	50	10	4,000			530			31	
Falmouth.....	202		4	3	1	2	18	175	150		25	2	4,500			55		24	25
Oddville.....	434		7	7	3	7	27	250	200		18	6	5,200						
Cynthiana.....	173		6	2		1	13	70	325	60	30	1	12,000			375		5	
Independence.....	286		25	9		5	40	165	640	120	14	2 1/2	3,000			90		20	30
Florence.....	68	1	3		1	1	4	30	150		3	3,000					10	28	
Petersburg.....	215	16	25	5	3	3	23	150	375	110	31	4	4,000						
Williamstown.....	303		8	6		3	19	113	148		12	6	4,000			2,350		150	
Warsaw.....	234		27	4		2	15	70	240		21	1	3,000				20		
Carrollton.....	154		17			1	17	112	168	50	15	1	15,000	1	1,000		20	15	
Worthville.....	143		13	2		2	11	61	100		7	2	5,000			94	20		10
	3,432	19	167	57	17	39	265	1,858	3,991	615	220	\$116,200	2	\$2,000	\$3,400	\$94	\$170	\$629	
SHELBYVILLE DISTRICT.																			
Shelbyville.....	141		1	6		1	17	73	500		60	15,000	1	3,000		100	25	30	
Shelby Circuit.....	232		1	3	1	4	16	100	250		29	8,000	1	1,000	600	30		12	
Bloomfield.....	173		7	36		2	18	100	300		37								

GENERAL STATISTICS OF THE KENTUCKY CONFERENCE M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH.

CIRCUITS, STATIONS AND MISSIONS.	White members.....	Colored members.....	Adult baptisms.	Infant baptisms	Local preachers.....	Sunday-schools	Sunday-school officers and teachers.....	No. of scholars	Vols. in library.	Sunday-school papers.....	Church periodicals.....	No. of churches	Value churches	No. of parsonages.....	Value of parsonages.....	Expended on churches.....	Expended on parsonages.....	Amt collected for American Bible Society.	Amt collected for Sunday-schools.....
LEXINGTON DISTRICT.																			
Lexington.....	257	18	15	1	1	24	200	583	210	18	1	1	25,000	1	7,500	.....	50	10	218
Paris.....	190	28	4	.....	1	12	100	250	50	35	2	2	10,000	1	3,500	.....	.....	70	70
Winchester and Ebenezer.....	156	8	3	.....	2	15	85	340	86	25	2	2	9,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	25	42
Versailles and Mortonsville.....	172	10	1	.....	2	24	130	500	120	10	1	1	12,000	1	2,500	50	.....	25	100
Greenwich.....	50	.....	.....	.....	1	5	50	100	50	10	3	3	2,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Newtown.....	150	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	100	.....	10	3	3	5,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cedar Chapel.....	95	7	4	4	2	15	70	100	.....	11	3	3	3,600	.....	.....	475	.....	.....	.....
Frankfort.....	284	13	26	.....	1	21	248	450	150	20	1	1	20,000	1	5,000	.....	.....	40	150
Mt. Sterling.....	380	19	5	.....	1	8	125	425	61	43	3	3	12,500	1	4,500	135	110	12	25
North Middletown and Mt. Zion.....	95	5	.....	.....	1	3	15	48	60	5	2	2	4,000	2	1,700	.....	57	5	34
Hardinsville.....	233	18	8	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	12	3	3	3,700	.....	.....	1,200	.....	.....	.....
Georgetown.....	146	4	3	2	1	7	36	300	.....	14	2	2	14,000	.....	.....	150	.....	.....	.....
New Columbus.....	795	2	121	4	7	26	185	590	70	53	6	6	8,000	1	1,000	1,250	12
Stanton.....	125	6	5	3	1	1	1,200	1
Dunaway.....	70	5	6	2	1	3	27	35	30	1	1	1	1,200	6
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Germantown.....	270	64	12	2	5	37	300	700	95	60	5	5	11,000	1	1,000	500	10	40
Brooksville and Augusta.....	249	1	2	10	100	100	95	40	2	2	10,000	125	5	38
Millersburg.....	205	20	1	.....	1	14	100	200	80	20	1	1	8,000	1	4,000	.....	.....	5	40
Ruddle's Mills.....	18	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	2	2	5,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Flemingsburg.....	216	15	2	1	4	17	100	450	40	8	4	4	11,000	1	2,500	.....	14	.....	8
Sharpsburg and Bethel.....	330	7	6	.....	2	16	60	150	20	25	3	3	10,000	1	2,000	500	20	8	10
Orangeburg.....	284	46	6	4	1	9	30	20	20	20	4	4	5,000	.....	.....	185	.....	.....	.....
Carlisle.....	282	5	4	5	3	22	120	416	130	22	3	3	7,000	.....	.....	216	.....	35	70
Irvinville.....	180	4	3	1	2	2	2	400
Mount Olivet.....	316	2	44	2	3	19	100	256	35	18	2	2	4,500	1	1,500	12	8
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Owingsville.....	120	1	6	20	100	4	2	2	3,500	1	1,000	50	5
Vanceburg and Concord.....	205	8	5	26	160	305	35	8	3	3	4,500	1	800	300	112	30
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APPENDIX.

A.

M'COWN'S MANUSCRIPT ON ORDINATION.

The committee to whom was assigned the duty of examining the manuscript work of the Rev. B. H. McCown, D. D., showing the validity of ordination by elders to the highest offices in the church, and the identity in ecclesiastical order of bishops and presbyters, report that, having given close attention to large, and such as were regarded by the author some of the most important, portions of his work, we feel justified in expressing our opinion of its value as a contribution to ecclesiastical literature.

While we do not deem it necessary to declare that we regard it more conclusive on the matter of which it treats than those sections on the same subjects in that admirable text-book in our own "Course of Study"—Powell on Apostolical Succession—yet it is far more full, and contains more copious extracts from the patristic writings, as might be supposed it would, when we consider that the treatise of Powell, being designed to cover the whole ground of prelatical assumption, devotes but thirty-one pages to those particular features of its unfounded claims which in the manuscript before us will cover perhaps two hundred and fifty pages.

This work furnishes decided evidence of patient, laborious, and we may add successful research on the part of its author among the writings of the fathers, and above all in the New Testament Scriptures, for proofs of the position assumed, and to us they seem conclusive and incontrovertible.

Though, from the limited time allowed us for the work, the examination of the manuscript by your committee has been of necessity somewhat cursory, we feel safe in commending it when published to all our preachers as a valuable book of reference, in addition to those already set forth in our present Course of Study.

CHARLES TAYLOR, *Chairman.*

B.

PAST DUES.

WHEREAS, the Kentucky Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, did at its session in Frankfort, in September, 1868, ascertain that \$2,193.15 was due and unpaid to certain persons for missionary labor under the old rule, which required the payment in full of the entire sums allowed missionaries; and

WHEREAS, after free discussion and great deliberation the Conference did then by an almost unanimous vote determine and promise to pay these debts in four equal annual installments, out of collections to be raised for that purpose; and

WHEREAS, \$702.71 of the debt still remains unpaid; therefore be it

Resolved, that the sum of \$702.71 be assessed upon the circuits and stations of the Conference, to be collected during the conference year 1874-75, for the liquidation of this debt.

D. WELBURN, *Chairman*.

C.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your Committee on Temperance report that the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, from the time of her organization, has by law prohibited the use of intoxicating drinks, except in cases of necessity; and by forbidding the doing of harm, and commanding the avoidance of evil, has legislated against the making, buying, or selling of alcoholic liquors, except for medicinal or mechanical purposes; therefore

Resolved, that the ministers of this Conference be required to enforce discipline against all violators of this law, as against all other willful transgressors.

D. WELBURN, *Chairman*.

D.

ON BOOKS AND PERIODICALS.

It gives your committee great pleasure to trace the continuous prosperity of the Southern Methodist Publishing-house since its interests and management were committed to the hands of the present energetic, watchful, and fearless agent,

Rev. A. H. Redford. If we contrast the deplorable and hopeless condition of the Publishing-house when in 1866 it fell into the hands of Dr. Redford with its present enlarged and prosperous business interests, we can but congratulate the whole church upon the mighty success achieved, and be encouraged as a Conference to give to our efficient agent our most hearty and united efforts and patronage in the circulation of books and periodical literature; and all the more as our books are marked down to prices as low as any publishing-house in the land can sell books of similar size and finish.

And then, besides, our excellent books are suited to the entertainment and instruction of all, from the infant class in the Sunday-school up to the most gifted man of the pulpit. The Publishing-house sends out periodically the *Christian Advocate*, *Sunday-school Magazine*, *Sunday-school Visitor*, *Little People*, *Lesson Papers*, and *Our Missionary*; all of which are ably edited, beautifully executed, and at a price so low as to place them within the reach of all.

In view of the importance of this periodical literature of the Church, your committee would urge upon the members of this Conference the duty of an effort to supply every Methodist family and every Methodist Sunday-school with these publications.

The *Central Methodist*, published at Catlettsburg by Brother Meek, of the Western Virginia Conference, with two members of our own Conference as associate editors, is becoming more and more popular with both the preachers and people of this Conference, which must necessarily result in an increased subscription list from our Conference territory.

And now, with the fond hope and earnest desire that every member of this Conference will rally to the support of these grand Christian, Methodist interests, your committee submit this report.

W. McD. ABBETT, *Chairman*.

E.

ON SABBATH-SCHOOLS.

By a careful examination of the latest published statistics of this Conference we ascertain that the whole number of Sabbath-school scholars, officers, and teachers is 9,228, which is less than one half the membership of the church within the same bounds. After deducting the officers and teachers, and making a reasonable margin for those in the Sabbath-schools who are already members of the church, we conclude that not

exceeding 5,000 persons are in training that they may intelligently take their places in the church.

There is evidently a sad lack of interest in this important matter, and a *real* danger may be avoided by a proper awakening on this subject. We hesitate not to state our firm belief that churches flourish, languish or die, just in the same proportion that the instruction of children, as a preparation for church membership, is attended to, whether in the family or in the Sabbath-school.

We therefore urge upon ministers, traveling and local, the propriety of forming Bible-classes wherever it is practicable, looking to an ultimate development into Sabbath-schools. Activity in this particular will assuredly receive a rich reward. We recommend to pastors the importance of preaching frequently to the children of their respective charges, and thus interest them in the word preached. In addition to our excellent Sunday-school literature, we urge the universal introduction of Our Missionary in our Sabbath-schools as an additional means of awakening in the minds of the young an interest in sending the gospel to those without.

Believing that from the Sabbath-schools the church reaps her most bountiful harvest; therefore

Resolved, that we, as members of this Annual Conference, will to the utmost of our abilities endeavor to build up and sustain Sabbath-schools in our respective charges, wherever it is at all practicable.

W. B. LANDRUM, *Chairman*.

F.

ON EDUCATION.

The Committee on Education, having duly considered the matters laid before them, present the following report:

WHEREAS, an enlarged and liberal education is not only essential to a thorough understanding of the Word of God, but also almost equally essential to the attainment of the highest Christian character; therefore be it

Resolved, that we as a Conference most urgently recommend to our people and ministry a more earnest attention to the cause of education, using the term *education* in its most comprehensive signification; that we endeavor more diligently than has generally hitherto been the case to train ourselves, our families, and the various memberships intrusted to our care to a higher intellectual and religious development, insisting

upon it that there is no affinity between ignorance and devotion, between intellectual inertia and spiritual growth.

Resolved, that we suggest to the preachers of the Conference that whenever and wherever practicable they use their influence in behalf of our different literary institutions, recalling them to the minds of the people, urging upon them their more liberal support, and manifesting on their own part a decidedly greater interest in these institutions than most of them at least have heretofore evinced.

Resolved, that with all due appreciation of the abilities and services of the preachers engaged in our various educational enterprises, we recommend that greater encouragement be given to our educated laity by more frequently promoting them to professorships in our schools and colleges; to the editorship of newspapers; and other positions requiring scholarship and culture.

Resolved, that in connection with this general subject we again, as heretofore, offer our hearty indorsement of our literary institutions located at Millersburg, Bourbon County, Kentucky. These institutions—the one for young men, under the presidency of Dr. John Darby; the other for young ladies, under control of Judge W. H. Savage and Rev. George T. Gould, of this Conference—are well worthy our continued and increased patronage.

With such a man as Dr. Darby for its president, assisted by the faithful faculty associated with him, with the good discipline and the accurate intellectual training which there prevails, our college at Millersburg ought to have a more liberal patronage and a more competent endowment—ought, in all regards, to be in a far more flourishing condition.

We should like to commend severally to our people the different professors of this institution. Suffice it to say that Profs. Murphy, Jordan, and Batson, like their president, fill their respective positions with honor to themselves, and with profit to the educational interests of the church.

Of the Female College of Brothers Savage and Gould we can speak in the like style of commendation. There is one thing we can say in praise of this institution which is by no means deserved by all female schools—*discipline is sometimes enforced*.

We hope the brethren in charge of this school may ever continue to require of the young ladies under their care diligent application to their studies, strict observance of their rules, and the general cultivation of a refined, virtuous, intelligent womanhood. May the institution over which they preside ever grow in influence, and in the confidence and the affections of our people.

T. J. DODD, *Chairman*.

APPENDIX.

G.

ON BIBLE CAUSE.

The Bible demands no eulogy. Its origin is from God. Its teachings present the most sublime doctrines, pure ethics, and demand the most sincere piety. False religion and false science have been in antagonism to the Divine teachings in all the ages past. The present century has witnessed the breaking down of this opposition in all lands: in Catholic countries in Europe and America; in China and Japan; India, Turkey, and Egypt.

There exists now an open door for wide distribution of the Bible among all nations. This fact should fill all hearts with gratitude to God, and lead to devout thanksgiving to the great head of the Church. And he who has influenced the nations of the earth to abandon their opposition to the Bible has also opened the hearts of the benevolent, both in this country and in Europe, to contribute means to secure the extended publication and distribution of the Holy Scriptures in many languages and in all countries.

An abstract of the American Bible Society's operations is here appended:

"The receipts for the year were \$664,436, including \$333,238 for publications, \$171,284 from legacies, and \$115,713 from donations. The payments were \$611,728. The volumes issued numbered 990,972, including 832,070 from the Bible house, in about forty languages, and 158,502 abroad. The entire number of volumes issued during eight years is 3,672,786. The gratuitous work for the year amounted in value to \$341,644. The number of families visited during the last eight years is 4,527,145; number of families found destitute of the Bible, 450,623; destitute families supplied, 323,537; destitute individuals supplied in addition, 267,168; Sabbath and other schools supplied, 11,559."

The committee submit the following resolutions:

Resolved, that the Kentucky Annual Conference will heartily co-operate with the American Bible Society in its noble work.

Resolved, that the Bishop be requested to reappoint Rev. Geo. S. Savage as agent of the American Bible Society within the bounds of the Kentucky Annual Conference.

S. W. SPEER, *Chairman*.

H.

MEMOIR OF REV. ANSELM MINOR.

Anselm Minor was born in Mercer (now Boyle) County, Ky., July 27, 1815, and died of congestion of the brain, near Tulip, Ark., September 22, 1873, in the fifty-ninth year of his age. He made a profession of religion early in life, and joined the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, in which he was preparing for the ministry; but, finding himself more in sympathy with the doctrines and polity of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, he united with it, and served for some years as a local preacher. He was married, September 11, 1838, to Miss Louisa Bilbo, of whom he was bereaved July 4, 1868. He joined the Kentucky Conference, at Shelbyville, Ky., September, 1849, and was appointed to the West Liberty Mission. From that time to his death he was appointed to the following charges: Crab Orchard, Lancaster, Madison, Somerset, Lawrenceburg, Maxville, Perryville, Crittenden, Falmouth, Leesburg, and Irvine circuits in the Kentucky Conference, the Canton Station in the Illinois Conference, and Tulip Station in the Arkansas Conference. During his service in the last-named charge he formed the acquaintance of Miss Anna Jones, near Tulip, with whom he was united in marriage December 12, 1872. At the close of this year he was placed on the supernumerary list, and transferred back to the Kentucky Conference, to which it was deemed he properly belonged, and was appointed to Perryville and Maxville in that relation.

Of the last hours of Brother Minor we have but little knowledge, as he became unconscious at an early period of his illness, and so continued until death released him from his sufferings; but his consistent Christian life and devotion to the ministry afford a well-grounded hope that he was prepared for the Master's call.

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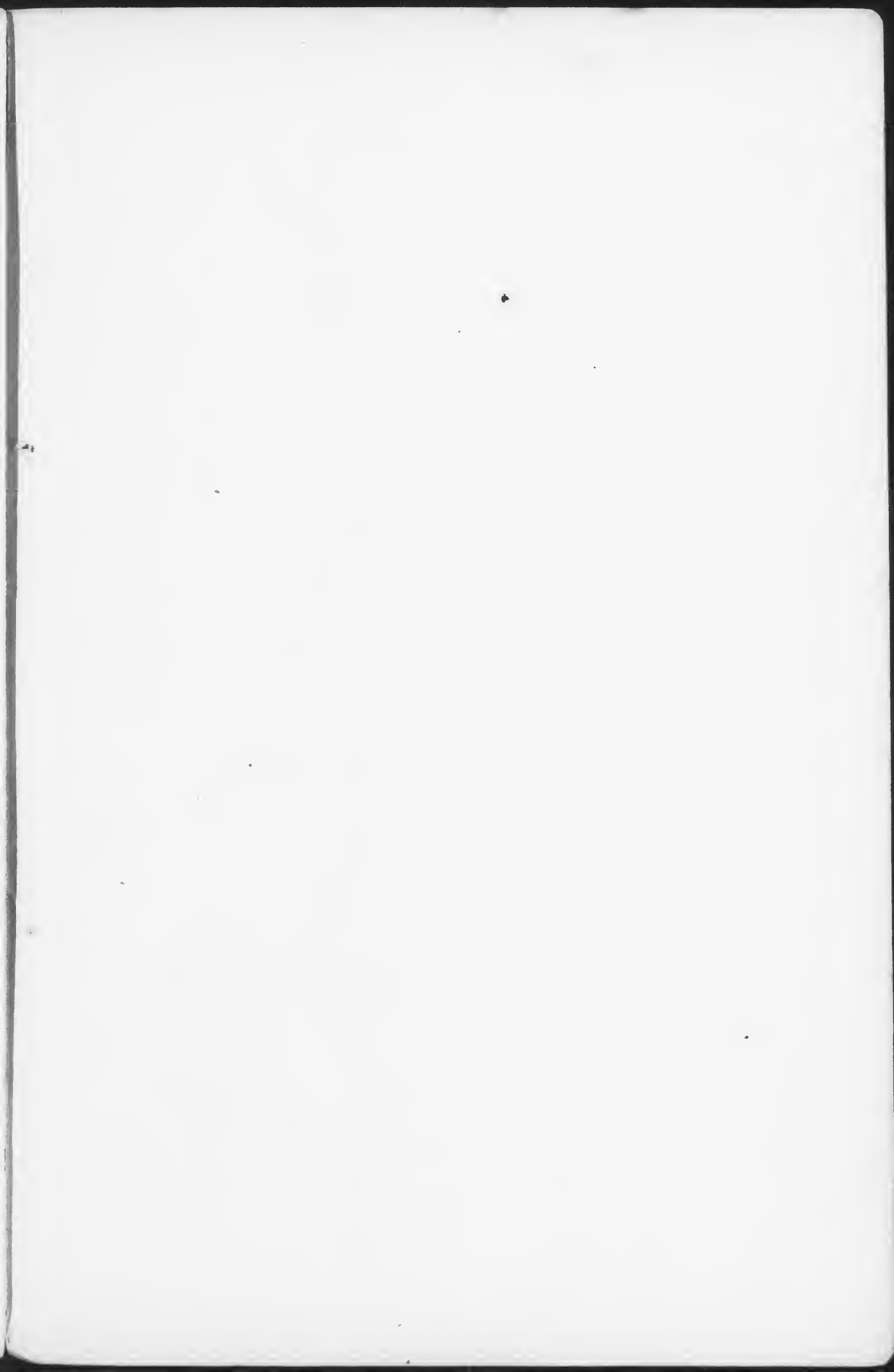
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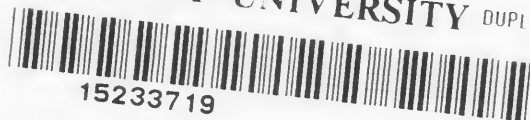
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